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# The KING HOOPER MANSION

## at MARBLEHEAD, MASS.

# An early American Dwelling in an unspoiled early Town

ORTUNATELY for those who love oldtime things and old-time places, modern industrial and commercial progress has passed by some few New England Colonial communities. And these have providentially fallen asleep, to remain almost as they were a century and more ago, and to awaken only for a brief period in

the summer to greet the visiting pilgrim.

This is true particularly of the coastal towns,—active with ship building, and fishing, and mercantile adventure in sailing days, but lacking facilities to cope with more favorably situated ports, as the age of steam approached.

Such a town was Marblehead, and such it remains today. Its narrow, crooked, cobbled streets twiststeeply to the sea; white cot-

tages cling to its rocky slopes, while at the water's edge, cluster the sway-backed sheds of fisherfolk beside black wharves. It is a place of quaint corners and alluring vistas, of little houses and little shops, and bright gardens blooming behind white picket fences.

But, here and there, as evidence of the great days of old when merchant princes dwelt in Marblehead, there still stand some stately eighteenth century dwellings. Of these the so-called King Hooper Mansion is perhaps the finest and most interesting.

Built in 1745 by the merchant Robert Hooper, it was, in its day, a symbol of New England magnificence and hospitality. "King" Hooper its owner was called; for he was fair and upright in all dealings, and a royal host besides. The three story mansion which he erected fronts on the cobbled thoroughfare where this expands to form almost a square. The exterior is severely plain but carefully proportioned. At the rear, the mansion windows

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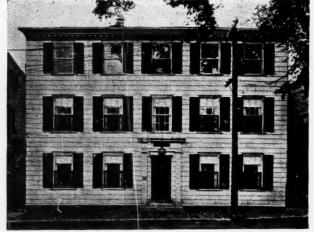
Within the house, a great carved staircase leads to the upper floors, the topmost of which King Hooper maintained as one great banquet room with vaulted ceiling. His own apartment he had fitted to resemble a ship's cabin. Throughout

the place he spared no pains to insure the ultimate in that perfection of exquisite proportion and detail for which his century was famous.

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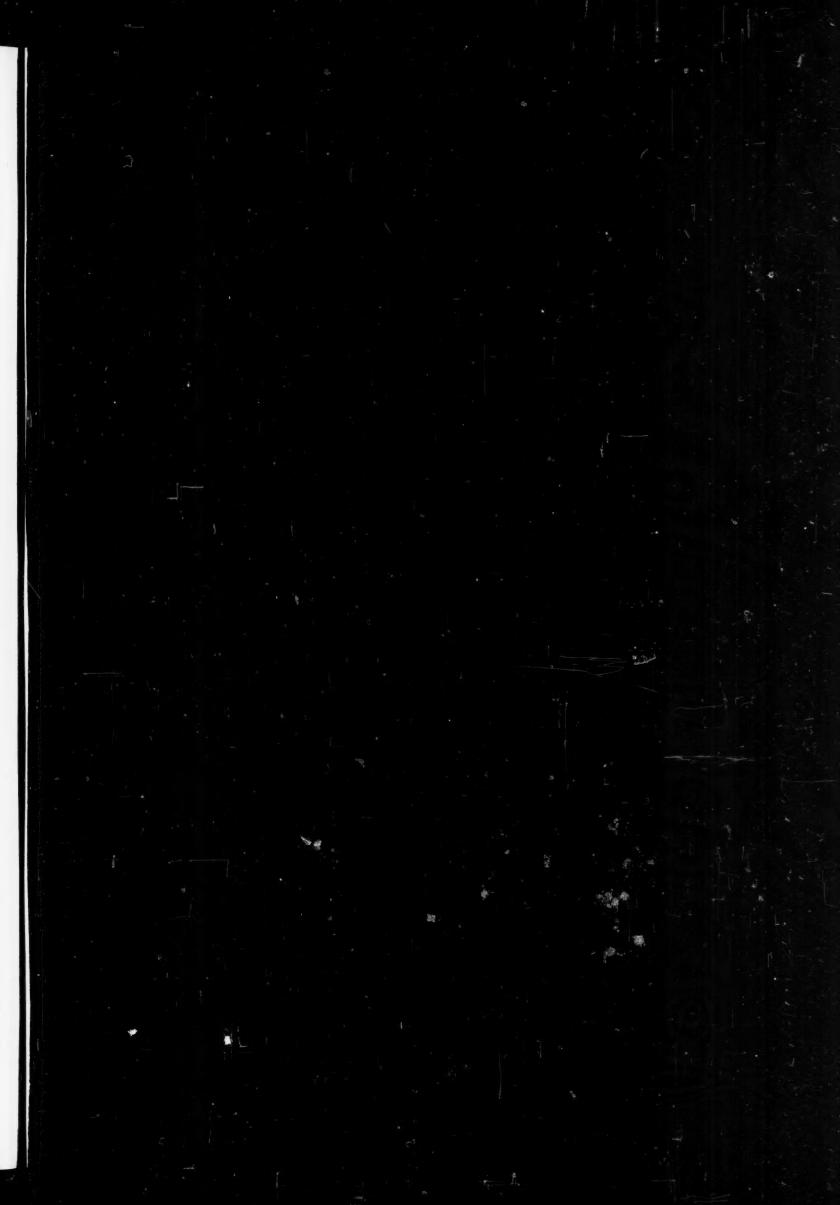
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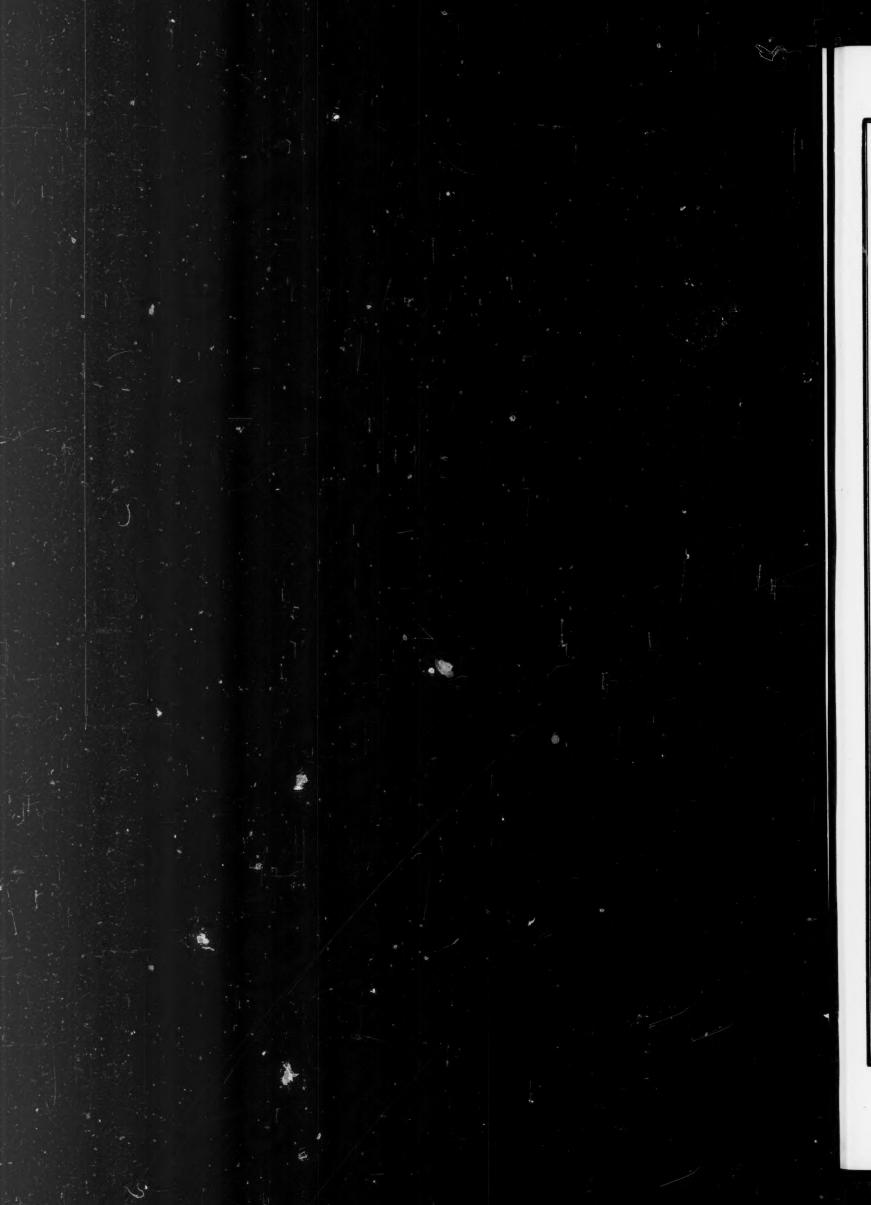


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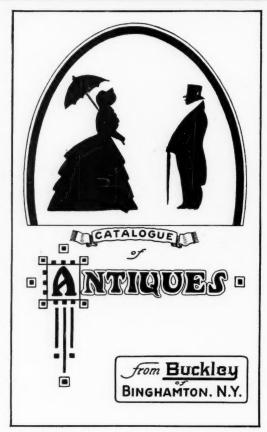
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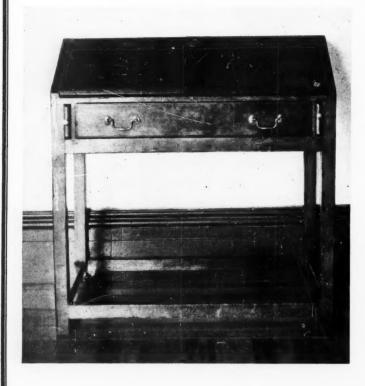
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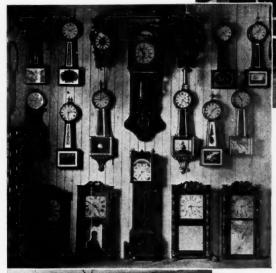
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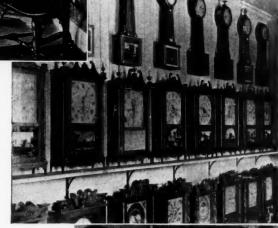
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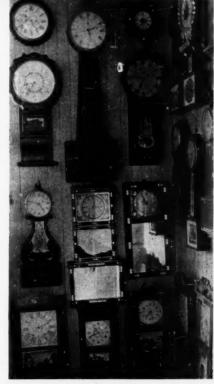
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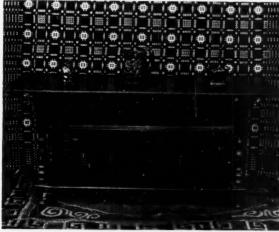
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### DECORATED BOX

An interesting love token from Pennsylvania. The white of cuffs and neck ruffles is obtained by pasting white paper on the wood ground. To what extent such boxes as this were made in Pennsylvania, and to what extent imported from Germany would be difficult to determine. See discussion on page 22.

Owned by Clarence W. Brazer

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## The Editor's Attic

### Medal, Token or What?

LINKED, albeit rather tenuously, with Indian medals and special metal tokens of various kinds seems to be the curious so-called "jewel," here reproduced. This specimen, which is 43/4 inches long by 3 inches wide, consists of two convex plates of what appears to be silver, so joined in a beaded silver frame as to constitute a locket-like pendant.

The gilded obverse of this jewel shows a relief decoration illustrating the fable of the old man, his sons and the bundle of sticks. Below, a flowing band carries the legend,

Unanimity is the strength of society. The reverse bears simply the inscription:

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Thissomewhat ponderous ornament was presented to John Wheelock, second president of Dartmouth College, at the time of

his visit to England in 1785 for the purchase of various institutional apparatus. Whether John Flude, broker, served as intermediary in certain transactions and felt moved to display his gratitude for learned patronage by bestowal of the jewel is not known. Neither is it known to what extent Wheelock valued this token of middle class foreign appreciation. That he failed to take deeply to heart its exhortation to harmonious union is, however, certain; for his administration of Dartmouth's affairs terminated in an academic row, involving president, trustees, faculty, student body, the legislature of New Hampshire and eventually the United States Supreme Court. Even today the echoes of that conflict peal through

the corridors of jurisprudence and rumble sonorously beneath the domes of academic oratory.

### The Cover

Intricate handiwork may represent the worker's need for killing time quite as much as his inherent love of art for its own sweet sake. A case in point is offered by the elaborate scrimshaw carvings turned out by sailor men during monotonous voyages before the age of steam. The bone ship models, too, wrought by French prisoners of war in England during the early years of the last century are more than mere evidences of a high degree of skill patiently applied; they are, equally, tributes to the power of tedium. So, too, are the exquisitely wrought monastic manuscripts of the middle ages and the impeccably minute conventual stitchery of olden times and of today.

Whatever the European origin of the process—and it may well have been monastic—straw marquetry appears to offer yet another form of expression likely to be utilized only by those to whom idleness is not a luxury but a nightmare. Its manufacture—like that of ship models—was one of the resources of French prisoners in England, and was, in fact, directed to the embellishment of some of the boxes in which certain of the triumphs of minute naval architecture were displayed.

The curious example of straw work reproduced on this month's cover of Antiques, while neither French in provenance, nor boasting more than half a century of years, is related to the earlier European examples by general technique and, it may also be, by prison association. The piece in question is a plaque measuring 83/4 x 71/8 inches. Obviously it is of Mexican design and workmanship. A companion plaque pictures in similar material the Cathedral of Mexico City, with mule-drawn tram cars in the foreground. In both specimens the colors are greens, buffs, and purples. These two plaques are owned by Mrs. Walter M. Hubbard of Keene, New Hampshire, to whom the Attic is indebted for their use.\*

\*Concerning straw work see Antiques, Vol. IV, pp. 213, 214; Vol. V, p. 187; and concerning the work done in English prisons see particularly Williamson's The Amateur Collector, Chapter XXX.





### A Rare Southern Table

For the accompanying pictures of a very unusual—perhaps, even, unique—gateleg table the Attic is indebted to the latest owner of the piece, Francis P. Garvan of New York. The table was found, not long since, in the Albemarle Sound district of North Carolina. Of its further history nothing is known; but since, with the exception of part of its one drawer, it is built, throughout, of Virginia walnut, its origin may safely be attributed to one of the southern states. Of this drawer, the sides are made from Carolina pine, and the bottom from spruce. Like many southern tables of its class, this example is of liberal size, the top measuring five feet by four feet six inches.

GATE TABLE (two views)

An unusual example in which the gates, instead of being pivoted after the traditional manner, slide in and out, along the guides of a slotted board. The mechanism of the arrangement is more clearly observed in the small view at the left. In general appearance and proportion this table is like others of its kind. Material is Virginia walnut. Date c. 1700-1720. Owned by Francis P. Garvan. Photographs by the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

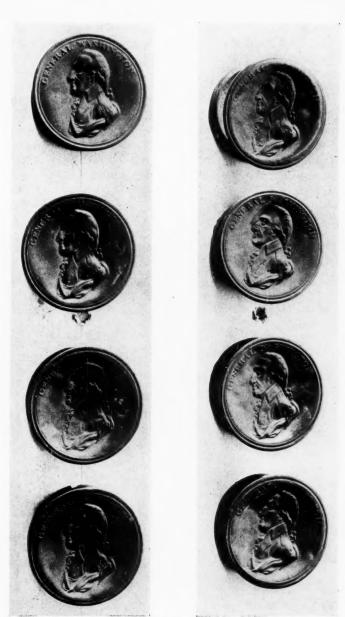
The unusual feature of this specimen is the arrangement of its gates, which support the leaves when the latter are raised. Orthodox table gates are pivoted to swing out for support, and back again for snugness. The gates under discussion are, on the contrary, fixed, above and below, to slotted boards, along which they may be pushed in or out as need be.

Doubtless the inventor of this device was quite satisfied that he had established an important improvement over the old fashioned gateleg. But, if his method aroused enthusiasm among his neighbors, news of the fact has since been suppressed; for no other table similarly equipped is known to exist.

Reason for this lack is not difficult to discover. The pivoted gate may have displayed some elements of weakness, yet it was, on the whole, to be trusted; though, at times, an inadvertent push might swing it home, and drop leaf and family crockery in tumultuous confusion. The slide gate would not be liable to such dislocation; but in damp weather it must, occasionally, have shown a tendency to stick beyond the dislodging power of any available human combination of blows and invective. Better a gate too yielding than one too stubborn.

### A Twin-Four Washington

They are all quite alike, so that the only reason for picturing this full set of brass drawer knobs is that of demonstrating the effect of completeness. There is no gainsaying its impressiveness. Brass portrait medallions were apparently not uncommon in the early years of the nineteenth century, and they were put to a variety of uses. The Attic recalls a set of them, representing different early American notables, which was used most advantageously to provide metal finials for a tall clock. Other examples turn up occasionally, doing duty in the supporting of old time mirrors. The group here pictured is, however, the first unbroken set of portrait knobs for furniture which the Attic has observed. They belong to Mrs. Frederic Leiter of Hagerstown, Maryland, thanks to discovery on the part of Edward Knodle of that city.



BRASS MEDALLION DRAWER FULLS WITH PORTRAIT OF WASHINGTON



### Pre-Bolshevic Bears

In Plate IX of Van Rensselaer's Early American Bottles and Flasks is pictured an alluring olive amber bottle in the form of a bear sitting upon its haunches and clasping its comfortably convex paunch with ecstatic paws. The notes accompanying the picture, however, carry no information as to the origin of the bottle, though there has been frequent assumption that, like many other containers of special form, this specimen had done midcentury duty in dispensing some of the many patented "bitters" which enabled the more scrupulous among our Victorian ancestors to enjoy some mild alcoholic stimulation without doing violence to their strict temperance principles.

Now, however, it develops that the bear is neither an American product nor an ostensible pillar of pre-Volstedian virtue. Witness the subjoined letter from a friendly correspondent:

Dear Sir:

The three Bear bottles shown in the photograph which I am sending you held excellent Russian Kümmel less than a dozen years ago, and recall Dr. Williamson's remark, in the chapter on Curious Old Wine in his book The Amateur Collector, "and those of us who are connoisseurs in liquors wonder when we are ever going to get a really good Kümmel again, because the present stuff is not worth drinking." This Kümmel sold for about eighteen dollars a case shortly after the late war started; at somewhat less a few years before. It was commonly called White Bear and Black Bear Kümmel. This shape of bottle, an importer once told me, was much more popular in New York than in Boston, and comparatively few of the type were shipped to the Boston market.

The unsuspecting collector is liable to think these bottles early American, as they have already appeared in the antique shops. They are worthless from an antiquarian point of view, but there is still a certain sentiment attached to those that, in their time, have brought a modicum of joy to the family.

A short time ago, I asked an English dealer, who happened here, the value of a certain article made in London about 1855. His answer was, "You could not give it away in England. But I don't know what it is worth here; the Americans collect such funny things."

"That will do for today," as my teacher used to say, after giving out enough lessons to keep me up half the night.

Very truly yours,

Aaron Davis\*

<sup>\*</sup>This Aaron Davis, it may be observed in passing, is a Bostonian; and is other than the writer, of identical name, who has enriched the literature of collecting with a number of excellent short stories.

Kümmel, as some will recall, is a beverage of vigorous constitution, flavored with anise. It was once viewed by the unregenerate as an agreeable companion to after dinner coffee. Essentially a Russian tipple, it is, or was, produced in the neighborhood of Riga, from which port it was shipped abroad. Questions as to whether or not Kümmel may have been carried to this country in bulk and here transferred to specially tempting bottles such as the ones pictured have been set at rest by a reminiscent expert of the S. S. Pierce Company of Boston, who assures the ATTIC that the bears are the original guardians of their precious contents and are, accordingly, to be awarded a European birth certificate. But whether they were made in Russia, East Prussia, or Bohemia, is past telling. Of the three pictures, two are rather crude generalizations: one is quite excellently modeled.

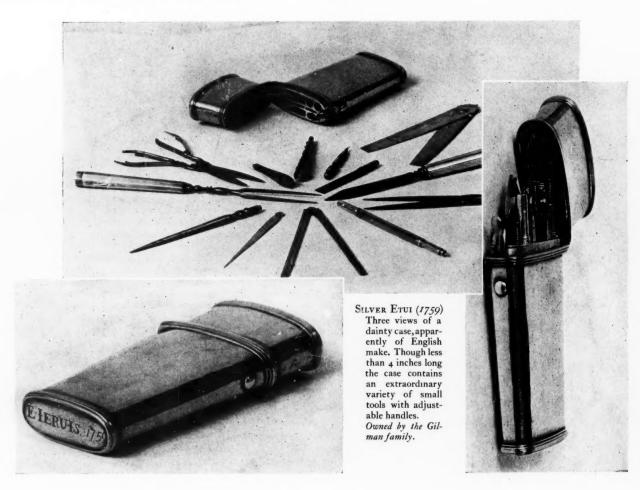
Were it not for America's extraordinary inherent powers of destruction, these Russian bears—albeit empty—should be quite common in this country. At one time they invaded our shores in large numbers. Toward the beginning of the war, however, according to the expert above quoted, the competition of a German-made Kümmel, which was imported in plain bottles, was seriously affecting the sale of the Russian product in the American market. To the bears encountered, therefore, a minimum age of ten years may be granted, and a maximum not much greater. Their classification should, therefore, be changed from early American to late Bacchic.

### Exquisite Exactitude

The exquisite precision of eighteenth century hand workmanship could hardly be better exemplified than by the dainty silver etui here illustrated. Only three and five-eighths inches long and two inches broad—dimensions which would permit its being carried in a reticule—this magic case contains an extraordinary variety of more or less useful articles, for each one of which a special compartment is provided. Evidently the silver handles shown attached to knife and fork are equally applicable to the threaded heads of several of the other implements. Materials, throughout, are of steel and silver except for the diminutive folding memorandum tablet, which is of ivory.

Just what purpose this outfit was intended to serve would be hard to say. Many of the utensils might prove handy in the preparation and execution of embroidery or other fine needlework. The presence of knife and fork may constitute no more than a tribute to a universal human requirement.

On the bottom of the etui occurs the name E. Jervis and the date, 1752. There is no maker's mark and no tradition as to the origin of the piece. The owner was, however, probably an Elizabeth Jervis, elder relative of the Charles Jervis, of Philadelphia, whose daughter Maria wrought the embroidered panel produced in Antiques for April. The present owners are the Gilman family of Brunswick, Maine.



# Some Significant Chairs

Illustrations from the collection of Miss Mary C. Pefferman; photographed by Harris and Ewing

HEN the average person thinks of southern furniture, he usually conjures up a vision of massive forms embellished with flamboyant veneers and framed by heavy and often elaborately carved members. Such, indeed, was the favorite furniture of the South during the period between the close of the War of 1812 and the decade and a half preceding the Civil War. Its size and proportions accorded well with the spacious rooms of great plantation houses, and its somewhat ostentatious richness of color and pattern satisfied a taste which was, sometimes, rather more luxurious than sensitively discriminating.

When Empire furniture once entered the home there remained small chance for pieces representing an earlier régime. Dwarfed in their scale beside the imperial newcomers, unable to compete in impressiveness of decorative elaboration, the furniture pieces of the eighteenth century schools of design must have seemed hopelessly plain, attenuated, and insignificant. And, in consequence, they

were forthwith sacrificed.

The fact accounts for the difficulty of gaining any satisfactory idea of what might be considered the special characteristics of eighteenth century southern furniture which would distinguish it, say, from the furniture of New England and from that of the Philadelphia school of cabinetmakers. Authenticated material for study has been lacking. Hence a somewhat unusual interest attaches to a collection of chairs which, during a period of some years,

has been gradually assembled by Miss Mary C. Pefferman, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Pefferman has secured her specimens, one or two at a time, as opportunity offered. Long patience and a very unusual appreciation of what constitutes excellence have been her guides during the slow process of accumulation. With the courteous permission of Miss Pefferman and the competent aid of Mrs. Wilmot L. Harris, Antiques has selected for reproduction eighteen of these chairs which well exemplify the sequence of the styles during the period 1750–1800.

They are, without much doubt, in the main, typical of what the prosperous southern families of the Revolutionary era were using, and of the accepted styles which were in vogue, following the conflict. Their only common characteristic, however, is a high level of quality. Nothing appears upon which to predicate conclusions as to the existence of a typically southern style of design, though at least two of the specimens display peculiarities of defail which seem to indicate provincial craftsmanship. The others may have been imported from England or from such Colonial centers of cabinetmaking as Philadelphia and New York.

Examples of furniture such as these need little more than to be pictured: their individuality speaks for itself. In so far as comment seems pertinent, it will be offered in conjunction with the illustrations. As for a southern style, however, the thought of discovering such a manifestation should be dismissed.



(mahogany)
This much of history attaches to these two speci-mens: they were purchased from an old lady, who said that her father had bid them in at an auction, in Alex-andria, Virginia. The armchair is an extremely fine example of its type. The carving of cresting, splat and knees offers a rare combination of subtlety and vigor. The splat of the side chair is one among those most frequently encountered of the inter-laced Chippendale type. Here the pat-

tern is handled with great breadth and freedom. The turned stretchers are reminiscent of an earlier type of chair. Date: probably not far from 1750.

Fig. I—Two Chip-PENDALE CHAIRS



Fig. 2—Two Chip-PENDALE CHAIRS (mahogany)

(mahogany)
The armchair at one time belonged to a Philadelphia clergyman. Concerning the side chair no historical data are available. In each piece the Gothictasteismanifest in the interlacing of the splat. The straight legs are, presumably, a tribute to Chinese influence. Date: 1755-1775.

Fig. 3—Two Chip-PENDALE CHAIRS

(mahogany)

These two fine ladder back dining chairs well illustrate the variations which the cabinetmaker may compose upon the same theme. Particularly worth observing are the subtle refinements in the proportions of the second chair, which is, throughout, somewhat narrower than the first. The definite abandonment of an accent separating the line of the cresting from that of the stiles of the back, and the substitution of a continuous serpentine curve outlining the entire back throws these chairs into the category of transition between Chippendale and Heppiewhite. Date: not far from 1775.

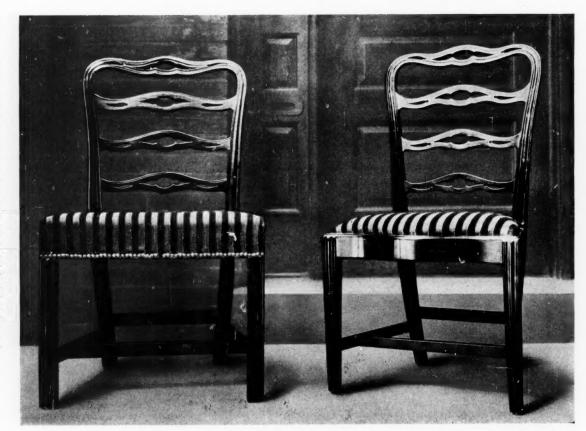




Fig. 4—Two Hep-PLEWHITE CHAIRS

(mahogany)
Two unusual examples, once belonging to Francis Scott Key, and purchased from his great-granddaughter. Key was a Marylander, (born 1780; died 1843) and it is not unreasonable to believe that both these chairs may have been made in the poet's native state. There is a curiously broad and leisurely quality in the back of the first chair which is quite distinct from the more crisp and assertive shield-back of the English Hepplewhite type. The same quality is occasionally observable in the work of present day Maryland cabinet-makers, working in the older styles. The influence may (continued below)

be French; it may not. Certainly no one would for a moment consider attributing this chair either to New England or to Pennsylvania. Date: 1780-1800.

Fig. 5—Two Hep-PLEWHITE CHAIRS

(mahogany)
A most unusual couple. They were purchased from a W a s h i n g t o n w o m a n, w h o claimed that they were made on her father's plantation in Virginia. The chairs themselves lend authenticity to the story. The shield of the back, while placed higher than that in the first chair in Figure 4, displays a somewhat similar indolénce of line. If, as supposed, these pieces are plantation made, they are documents of unusual interest. Date: 1780-1800.

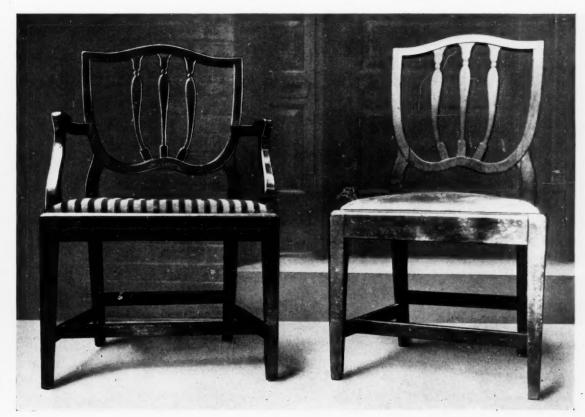




Fig. 6 — Two HEPPLEWHITE

HEPPLEWHITE CHAIRS (mahogany)
Both typical of their kind, and both so correct in style as to gainsay attempts to localize their provenance. It is, perhaps, interesting to observe that the lower part of the shield-back Hepplewhite is virtually identical with that of the cal with that of the smaller ladder back shown in Figure 3. Both pieces are reported to have reported to have been owned by Virginia families. The shield-back chair here pictured was originally the property of "a Southern be a u t y, L u c y Grimes Lee, mother of the dashing Revolutionary general, 'Light Horse Harry' Lee." It may be of interest to hear of interest to hear that, as a young man George Wash-ington courted Lucy and might have married her but for paternal objections. Date: 1780-

Fig. 7 — Two Sher-aton Chairs

(mahogany)
One of the most satisfying of the various Sheraton designs which have been found in this country is here illustrated. The here illustrated. The chairs pictured are almost identical in appearance with the chair illustrated in Antiques for November, 1923. That example, however, carried no stretchers, and the treatment of and the treatment of the cresting was slightly different from that here shown. As for their source, they were procured from a colored woman, whose notions con-cerning them were confined to a state-ment that "Old Missus say dey come from way back yonder." The previously published chair bore the label of Stover and Taylor of New York, yet the set of which it was a part showed signs of English making. Date 1792-1800.

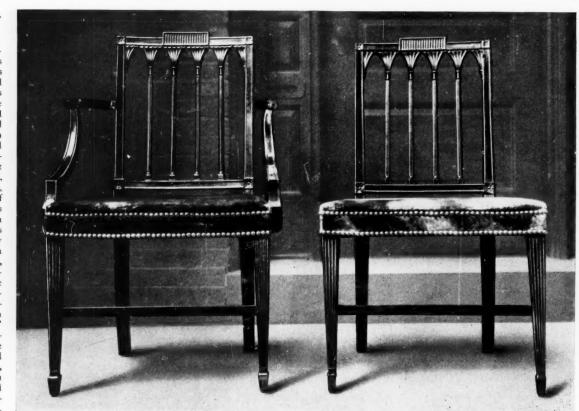




Fig. 8 — Two Sher-ATON CHAIRS (mahogany) At first blush, these

(mangany)
At first blush, these chairs, originally owned by an old Maryland family, would seem to belong in the same category with those of Figure 7. In general, perhaps, they do; though in detail of workmanship there is no comparison. Observe, for example, the slight taper of the backs of the chairs of Figure 7; the delicate fluting of the banisters and the refined carving of the fans in contrast with the more brusque and summary treatment displayed in these specimens. It is slight differences such as these which mark the separation between the good and the excellent. Date: either side of 1800.

Fig. 9—Two Sher-ATON FANCY CHAIRS

(painted) Somewhat similar, but not exactly mates, these two chairs are typical of that late Sheraton type, long popular in Amer-ica, out of which developed the so-called Hitchcock chair and its contemporary ana-logues. The ampli-tude of the arm-chair, the heavy roll of its seat front and the massiveness of the arms seem to put it out of the category of any of the northern states. Thesidechairmight have been made almost anywhere. The chairs were purchased from an old-time colored woman who had received them, in lieu of wages, from a family impover-ished by the rav-ages of the Civil War. Date: about 1800.



# Pennsylvania Bride Boxes and Dower Chests

I. Preliminaries

By Esther Stevens Fraser

F you have ever seen a Pennsylvania German dower chest, with its quaint, yet boldly decorative symbolism, you will understand what started me on my study of Pennsylvania painted furniture. Indeed, it seems to me that, of all the styles of decorated furniture existing in early American days, this naïve peasant art of the Pennsylvania "Dutch"—brought over by early settlers and preserved in its foreign manner through generation after generation—is the most interesting of all.

In the first place, it is the most pictorial of all our decorative styles; for it offers such unexpected motives as fabulous unicorns, men riding on horseback, mermaids curling their flexible tails, and even the Angel Gabriel flying through space and blowing his golden trumpet. And behind all these devices lies an interesting symbolism concerning which, unfortunately, too little is known. And even the simple conventional pieces may bloom with formal tulip plants in pots or vases; while some show geometrical designs of stars and interlacing circles, and yet others combine gay-plumaged birds with such familiar flowers

as the carnation, the forgetme-not, and the ever pres ent tulip.

Finding the Pennsylvania German decoration so strikingly individual, we naturally seek to know something of the people who produced it. It should be said at the outset, that the word Dutch is a misnomer, since the ancestors of these Pennsylvanians came not from Holland, but from Germany. But, Deutsch, their proper designation was vulgarized to Dutch. Their actual source was that section of Germany known as the Upper and Lower Palatinate. And since their coming hither they have changed surprisingly little in habits, customs, and language. Today it is estimated that some 300,-000 people still speak the old German dialect.

The statement is difficult to believe, but a trip through the Pennsylvania German region will quickly dispel skepticism. In the small towns we find the house-

wife talking to the coalman, the iceman, or the grocer's boy in an eighteenth century German dialect which is as difficult for a modern German as for an American to understand. And these people have clung to their inherited traditions and religious faiths as tenaciously as they have maintained the language of their forefathers. Family love and pride have preserved for many generations such heirlooms as dower chests, bride boxes, jewel boxes and other love offerings.

The Pennsylvania German lived a quiet and uneventful life. From early morning till sundown he worked hard upon his farm. In his sparsely settled community there were few amusements, and almost the only exciting events were births, marriages, and funerals. Hence on courtship, marriage, and the building of his home he lavished all his acquired art and his inborn sense of beauty. It was a habit brought over from the old country, where the peasant lover still gives his prospective bride useful but elaborately ornamented articles. It may be a decorated weaving stool for her use as she sits at the loom,

or, a butter mold of his own designing. In this country it appears that the hopeful groom did not always fashion his gifts himself, but had them made by someone with a reputation for good craftsmanship.

These Pennsylvania Germans settled in the southeastern section of the state. and those counties which have most zealously guarded the old traditions are, Montgomery, Berks, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, and Dauphin. Other counties have scattered German communities, but the ones named are richest in material for our study. In them are to be found many towns named for the home cities; Manheim, Heidelberg, Hanover, Strasburg, Muhlenberg, Hamburg and others.

The first Germans who emigrated to America were weavers from Crefeld on the Rhine. These people, Mennonites by faith, came in 1683 and established a community named after them, Germantown. The next year



Fig. 1 — Pennsylvania Decorated Box (eighteenth century)

The symbolism of a heart on a table, which stands between two persons, while a winged heart from above seems about to join the group, is obscure. So, too, is the inscription, which has been translated thus: "Over my heart will right be seen; will this loyalty remembered be?" Owned by Randolph R. Urich.

they were joined by forty "Mystics," who built a log house over which was erected the "Rosicrucian Symbol, the cross within the Wheel of Eternity."\* I quote this to show how from early days geometrical symbols were connected with the religions of these German people.

In the year 1708, Montgomery County became the home of many of those first German settlers from Germantown. Meanwhile, religious oppression in the Palatinate, added to the widespread devastation

which had been wrought in Europe by the wars of Louis XIV, caused many German Protestants to become restless. Aggravating their troubles came the severe winter of 1708-1709, which brought intense suffering. A great army of 13,000 Palatines fled to Holland and thence to England. Here some remained; some crossed over into Ireland, while still others braved the seas to settle in America. A large body of German refugees landed at what was then New Amsterdam, but were not cordially received, so they journeyed up the Hudson and settled in the vicinity of Kingston, N.Y. In 1723, many of them accepted Gov. Keith's invitation to Pennsylvania, and

took up their abodes along Tulpehocken Creek, Berks County. From 1710 to 1740 the Germans swarmed to Pennsylvania, thousands coming here to join their fellow

countrymen in this new land of opportunity. Much early Pennsylvania history centers about Eph-

rata, in Lancaster County, which was settled from 1728 to 1736 by Mennonites. These people lived a severely religious life in semi-monastic fashion, devoting all their time to educational work, and to the arts of weaving, illuminating manuscripts, working iron and the like. They set up a printing press, and, by 1757, were famous for printing and book binding.† They also issued a weekly newspaper in German.

There were also German-speaking Swiss emigrants to Pennsylvania, who were eventually absorbed in the Pennsylvania German people, but who may have contributed some characteristics to the art of the latter. In general, the Swiss type of decoration is more delicate and graceful than the German, which appears somewhat heavy in form and coloring. Dr. John M. Clarke ascribes such decorative motives as the two-petaled tulip and the horseman to Swiss origins. Instead of the three-petal profile to which we are accustomed, the Swiss depict the

flower with two broad petals indicated, and between them a fancy form of pistil. Chests which are decidedly German in character, however, also carry the horseman and twopetaled tulip, so that I am inclined to doubt their purely Swiss origin.

When these Germans and Swiss emigrated to America, they doubtless brought some household goods with them, but not a great deal of furniture, for cargo space was limited, and means of land transportation scanty.

However, their old world customs and arts were so firmly rooted in their souls, that what they fashioned for themselves in this country shows very little deviation-even during a hundred years-from the possessions which they had left in Europe. Their barns, for example, are quite different in construction from those found in other parts of America, and they are strikingly decorated in Berks and Lehigh Counties, at least with geometrical designs in brilliant colors. (Fig. 4.) These are religious charms against witches, and for insuring prolific increase in cattle and horses. Such is the meaning of the large stars and elaborately interlaced circles-sometimes ten feet

in diameter—which we see on barns in these two counties. Even the color of the barns is symbolical, for red and yellow are sacred to Donar, the god of marriage and the home. We do not find any early barns of another color until we pass outside the confines of Berks and Lehigh Counties. Thus we see that the Pennsylvania German was given to superstition, and that much symbolism lay

behind the decorations on his household possessions. Two very popular symbols were the tulip and the heart. The tulip stood for the old home country where tulips blossomed in every dooryard. Tulpehocken Creek means the creek where tulips dwell. I also suspect that beside reminding the Pennsylvania German of his native home, the tulip suggested his love affairs. We must not forget the "two-lip" meaning hidden in that flower's name! The heart symbol speaks for itself most eloquently in every language, concerning bethrothal, marriage, and the home.

The immigrant German craftsman, whether carpenter, weaver, cabinetmaker or decorator, continued to work in exactly the same manner as he had done in the old country. A glance at the two bride boxes, in Figures 1 and 3a, will verify this statement. A bride's box (sometimes called a bonnet box because of its similarity in size and shape) is one of the rarest and most interesting things we can find in the Pennsylvania German country. Filled with laces, ribbons and other bits of finery dear to the feminine

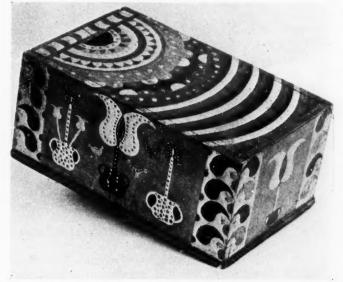


Fig. 2 — PENNSYLVANIA DECORATED BOX This curiously decorated piece is provided with a sliding cover. It has been called a knife box, but its dimensions would accommodate a considerable crop of daggers. Length 16"; width 10"; depth 7". Owned by Randolph R. Urich.

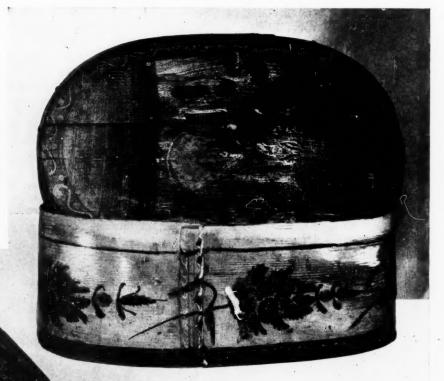
<sup>\*</sup>The Rosicrucians are, or were, an entirely mythical secret order discussed in a seventeenth century German treatise. The order was supposed to have acquired much of the hidden wisdom of the Orient.

<sup>†</sup>See Antiques for March, 1924 (Vol. V, p. 136).

Fig. 3 — Decorated Boxes

At the right. a. An actual German box originally the property of Wilhelmina Heedt. The great-grandmother of the present owner of this box brought the piece to America from Cologne on the Rhine some sixty years ago. The date of this example is not easily determined; but it may be towards the close of the eighteenth century. Except for its known history, this box would probably be attributed to Pennsylvania. No doubt a good many of the finer examples of so-called Pennsylvania work were made in Germany. Owned by Mrs. Harry Merchants.

Below. b. This example passed at the Temple sale, in 1922, to its present owner. It is described in the sale catalogue as a hat box, dating from about 1780. The buxom dame on the cover is surmounted by this inhospitable inscription: "To be alone for myself shall be my pleasure." The tulip border is handled with evident mastery of a simple technique. Owned by Clarence W. Brazer.



I recently ran across a third bride box which I am sure came from Germany because of its inscription in pure German, and its special technique in painting. The decorator had attempted to draw the bride and groom seated side by side on a bench, but not being much of an artist, he had succeeded only in making the groom appear to be pushing his lady love off the bench! She seemed to be in imminent danger of falling into a fire which was blazing under a cauldron hung from a tripod of three sticks. Around the edge of this box ran the unromantic but exemplary inscription:

I will go now, my dear Fritz, and cook you some nice apple sauce.

Another bride box, said to be Pennsylvania German, dating about 1680, was formerly in the Temple collection. If the date is correct, it must have been made in Germany and imported here, for the first tiny settlement of Germans in Pennsylvania was not until 1683, and the great influx did not come until 1710 to 1740. Besides, the style of painting and the elaborate court costume of bride and groom make a foreign origin seem most probable.

Still another bride box—Figure 1—is in the collection of David Urich. In this example a small table with pedestal and snake-foot base stands between the two figures which are flanked on either side by the same Japanesey tree that occurs on the two boxes illustrated in Figure 3. On all three we find the same shaded blue sky which is suggestive o af Japanese print. Mr. Urich's box appears to date 1750 or before, judging by the style of the table. An amusing variant of the bride box was formerly in the Temple collection, and must have been made for a widow or confirmed spinster. It carried the strange legend,

To be alone for myself shall be my pleasure.

heart, it was the gift of the bridegroom to the lady of his choice. It differs from a bonnet box namely in the fact that it depicts the bride and groom upon the cover, and usually carries a sentimental inscription. The peasant German was very fond of putting inscriptions on his possessions, and the custom was continued on Pennsylvania pottery as well as on bride boxes. The box in Figure 3a which is from Cologne, Germany, bears the noble sentiment,

Those who love in honor, no man can put asunder.

The Pennsylvania German inscription on the bride box shown on the Frontispiece sets forth the bluntly Teutonic idea that,

All young ladies on this earth would like well to become wives.

That was before the modern, independent young woman had asserted herself!

But bride boxes are overshadowed in importance by the elaborately decorated wedding chests of the Pennsylvania German. On them were lavished all the art of the decorator, and they became the household's most prized possession. Wedding and birth certificates were often pasted within the lids of these chests—an indication of the important place which they occupied. The bride's name, with the diminutive ending of en or in, occurs on many chests, along with a date, which is probably that of her marriage. The lettering, boldly painted in old German style, is an integral part of the decoration. Occasionally we find chests carrying a man's name in large letters, as if he were the owner of it. In this case I imagine the piece to be a gift to his bethrothed, or else that the chest was made after his marriage and that it may not properly be called a wedding chest.

On four or five examples of decorated chests, I have seen a name and date *scratched* in the wet paint of a vase, constituting part of the decoration; and I am trying to verify my belief that this is the name of the decorator, and not the owner. In two instances a man's name occurs—John Seltzer in one, Johann Rand in the other—while two other names remain tantalizingly undecipherable. I should like to know more about these men, and I hope that information may be forthcoming from their descendents, or from "old-timers" who may have heard of them.

With the exception of these two signatures no clue to the decorators of Pennsylvania German bridal chests exists. Some persons believe that the paintings were "home made," and not the work of professional painters, but a study of examples disproves this theory. In the first place the panels were laid out boldly with straight edge and compass, the main lines being scratched in the wood—a procedure which no amateur would dare attempt. I have even found tulips painted from ineradicable compass marks! Secondly, no amateur could produce the elaborate mottled, marbled and grained effects observable on some of these Pennsylvania chests. And, most important of all, there are many chests which exhibit identical technique—proof that one professional hand wrought them.

Strange to relate, in the painting of chests, ordinary

decorative procedure was reversed, and the panels were given their ornamentation before the surrounding ground color was applied. Demonstration of this occurs in an unfinished example which hails from Dauphin County. In this, the panels are decorated with sprays of flowers in vases on a white ground. The rest of the chest is still bare wood and even shows where oil from the paint has spread

into the surrounding woodwork. It is the belief of many dealers in the Pennsylvania German region that such chests, as well as many smaller objects such as hand decorated wedding certificates, boxes, etc., were painted by traveling decorators who went from farm to farm as occasion arose for their work. One dealer says that in his youth he knew a happy-go-lucky soul who used to travel around decorating birth and marriage certificates and receiving his pay in the form of a good-sized drink! Pretty poor pay, all things considered, for those were not prohibition days!! But the tales of the traveling decorator accord with those of the itinerant pattern weaver, shoemaker, and portrait painter. Where settlements were composed of scattered farms, the craftsman had to go out to his work, instead of establishing a shop.

It is an interesting fact that we find a distinct type of decorative design coming from each of the different Pennsylvania German counties—an indication that each decorator confined himself pretty closely to a restricted bailiwick and seldom traveled far afield. The technique of the painting in each county type may vary from crude work to finished excellence, but the main characteristics and motives of the design remain sufficiently typical of the district to constitute a specific "school" product. Many elements of the designs may have been governed by the religious superstitions of these Pennsylvania Germans and by the traditions which they brought over with them from the home land. Thus the Mennonite religion in Lancaster County may be responsible for the floral and bird decoration of chests from that locality. The horseman and the unicorn on Berks County chests are probably derivations from mediaeval symbolism brought from the old world.

So far I have seen or traced some sixty chests, and have found them falling naturally into certain county groups. There must be many other specimens in private collections and in the possession of Pennsylvania families, which would be useful in verifying or correcting such classification as I have made.

In the next article, a general survey of the various county styles will be offered. A typical chest for each

county will be pictured. In subsequent articles variations of the types will be discussed and pictured in some detail. There are, of course, a few Pennsylvania chests, unique in style, which are difficult to place. They constitute the exceptions that follow in the wake of every rule. The infrequent occurrence of these exceptions is, however, surprising.



Fig. 4 — A PENNSYLVANIA BARN

One of the most picturesque portions of the United States is that inhabited by the Pennsylvania Germans, whose keen decorative sense still finds expression in the embellishment of barns and out-houses. With the feeling for decoration goes a liberal measure of superstition; for the crosses within circles and the stars within circles which so frequently appear are supposed to ward off witch trouble and to insure success to crops and cattle.

## Blunderbusses

By CHARLES WINTHROP SAWYER

LUNDERBUSSES differed radically from other smooth bore guns in two main particulars; first, they were made solely for defense, and that at close quarters; second, they were not made to be arms of precision, but instead, merely special agents of destruction incapable of selecting foe from friend. To accomplish these ends the barrel of a blunderbuss was made a funnel, not a

cylinder.

The eruption of a mine beneath the feet of a multitude could hardly be more disastrous than the cyclonic blast from a large blunderbuss. The latter's hail of missiles forms no regular pattern, comprises both empty and congested areas within its danger zone, is liable to leave unscathed the actual intended victim, and, at the same time, cut to shreds every animate thing within its path. A blunderbuss affords-or afforded -its user no certainty of hitting any desired place or thing: it is, of all weapons, a blunderer.

In the English speech of a few centuries ago, the term "blunder' meant just what it means today. The word "buss" meant kiss, in the sense of

a loud smack. The name "blunderbuss" seems much more probably compounded of blunder and buss than derived, as philologists claim, from the German words donner-busche (thunder box or barrel). The assumed German derivation seems far fetched and fantastical.

Blunderbusses were of European, not American, origin. They were not extensively in use, either abroad or in the colonies, much earlier than 1750, although they may have been originated a bit before 1600, and were in use scantily for military purposes as early as 1650. Although usually equipped with flint locks, some of the early ones had match, and some wheel locks.

Blunderbusses in great numbers came to America in due time, but not in Pilgrim time. One of the commonest anachronisms committed by illustrators is that of portraying a Pilgrim Father, on his way to church, overtaken by a shower of arrows and vainly threatening the source of the shower with a huge bell-mouthed blunderbuss. Probably not one blunderbuss was in America at that period,

and probably not one Pilgrim, unless perhaps Standish, had ever seen one. Artists appear to visualize the Pilgrims themselves as blundering, adult children; but they were not, and they were not blunderbuss users.

In America, except for sea service, the blunderbuss never had the vogue that it enjoyed in its home countries. Thousands of the weapons came here homes and majority need.

with the constant in-pouring stream of Europeans; and thousands m o r e came as tradegoods. Some, out of all that came, served as guardians of of vehicles; but the became dormant weapons, stored away against a time of possible In their home

countries, blunderbusses were made for three specific services-military, home-defense, and stagecoach protection—and, to adapt them precisely, each to its kind of service, they were made in three types, one for each sort of service. In the heyday of their fashion, of course, each type was subject to infinite variation and even to crossing with other types: but, in early days, distinct types outranked the mongrels, and, furthermore, they hold first place in the esteem of arms collectors of these present times.

Many foreign countries issued blunderbusses to their soldiery as regulation military arms. America did not; and our government made none until after 1800, and then

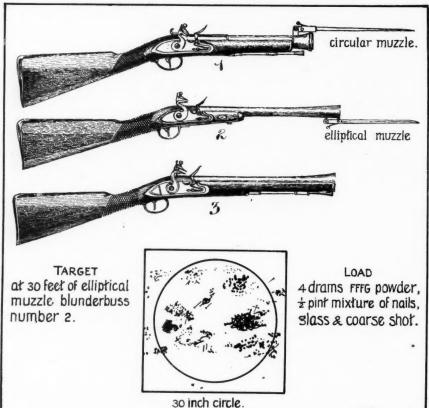


Fig. A - STAGECOACH BLUNDERBUSSES

7.—English. Length 29 inches; with bayonet 40½ inches. Brass barrel. Muzzle caliber 15% inches. Weight 6½ pounds. The bayonet, when folded, is held and released by the catch shown in the rear

2.—English. Length 33 inches; with bayonet 40½ inches. Brass barrel, with elliptical muzzle calibering 17% by 2¾ inches. Weight 6¼ pounds. Bayonet catch under fore end operated by moving the trigger guard. Period, about 1800.

3.—English. Length 31½ inches. Brass barrel; muzzle caliber 2 inches. Weight 6 pounds. Period, about 1780.

only a few to enable our navy to cope with Mediterranean and West Indian freebooters. But our privateers in Revolutionary times and our merchant marine of the next two decades bought and carried and used quantities of foreign-made blunderbusses, and found them admirable arms of defense against boarders. Still later, in the days of clipper ships and the China trade, blunderbusses on American ships bloomed in profusion-but that is for subsequent telling.

Figure B shows the principal varieties of military

blunderbusses. All are sizable weapons, as are the homedefense ones, as well; but military blunderbusses are distinguishablefrom the others by definite characteristics. Thus Number 3, by its great weight and its swivel for mounting, must have been made particularly for use over a ship's rail or in a land fortification. Numbers I and 2 are recognizable as military arms and not home-defense ones, not only by the government ownership marks on them but, likewise, by their military pattern stocks and furniture. Numbers 4 and 5, little ones for use by horse-men, are distinct from the stage coach weapons for the same reasons and causes. The characteristics of each type are apparent in the three pictures portraying them.

Figure C shows the principal varieties of the homede ense type of blunderbuss. Blunderbusses this type were pat-

terned after shotguns as to butt shape and kind of furniture. They were sizable arms usually about a foot longer than their little brothers that rode on coaches. As a rule they were much more carefully and accurately made than the military pieces-stocked with a good quality of figured

walnut and often provided with neatly engraved furniture.

Home-defense blunderbusses however among gun-wise men did not rank with shotguns. Their name evenblunderbuss—was a somewhat contemptuous term. Nevertheless they usually served the double purpose of guarding the home against robbers and of providing the young male hopeful of the family with a gun of a sort which supplied him an occasional tame rabbit or starling and returned but a weak kick, provided its load was coarse powder and real lead shot. Speaking generally, the use of shot in a home-

defense blunderbuss was sacred to occasional hunting jaunts. When the arm was returned to its pegs by the fireplace, it was given its accustomed load of scraps of iron, opped sheet lead,

and broken glass and crockery: it was most potent then.

Some individuals in that far off time -wise or cautious men, or shooting who double barreled shotguns - preferred to guard their homes with double barreled blunderbusses. These arms, whether with round or elliptical muzzles, whether with or without spring bayonets, all belonged to one or other of the two varieties illustrated in Figure C, by pictures numbered 3 and 4. Both of these are shown with their bayonets folded. On pulling the catch which held the bayonet's tip, the bayonet would fly, with incredible speed, into the rigid position shown in Figure A by pictures numbered I and 2.

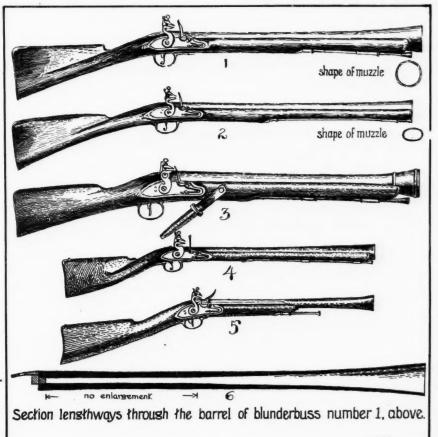


Fig. B — MILITARY BLUNDERBUSSES

Land and sea service, regulation (governmental, army and navy); and secondary (militia and privateer).

I.—English; navy. Length 42 inches; 26 inch iron barrel. Muzzle caliber 3½ inches. Weight 8 pounds.

Marked with Tower, Crown, GR, and old Birmingham proof stamps. Revolutionary War service possible on both British and American ships. Period, probably about 1765.

In this variety of the military type, barrel lengths ran between 20 and 30 inches.

2.—English; navy and internal revenue. Length 40 inches; 24 inch light brass barrel with elliptical muzzle calibering 13/8 by 2½ inches. Weight 6¾ pounds. Marked as Number 1 with the added stamp of IR (Internal Revenue). Revolutionary War service on either side, or both sides, possible. Period, probably about 13/6.

3.—British; land and sea service. Length 42 inches. Weight 37 pounds. Muzzle caliber 4 inches. Old London proof stamps legible; other marks not legible. Period, about 1790.
4.—English; army (?). Length 31 inches; 16½ inch iron barrel. Muzzle caliber 1¾ inches. Weight 6½ pounds. Marked with Claude, London crossed sabres under a crown, and the interlaced GR of George Wars and Revolutionary War service possible. Period, about 1735.

5.—French; army. A governmental regulation issue to the Mameluckes of the Guard. Length about 31 inches. Muzzle caliber about 11/2 inches. Iron barrel. Provided with the same style of lock and

ramrod thimble as the Model 1793 rifle. Period, about 1800.

In both of these Figures-A and C-are also shown average targets, which average blunderbusses made at thirty feet, which is the practical limit of effectiveness for this class of weapon. Neither target caught all the missiles fired at it, perhaps not over two-thirds; but what

did strike were far more deadly in massing and in cutting and tearing than a charge of shot from a shotgun, besides covering several times the area.

Figure A shows the remaining type, the coach or stagecoach blunderbuss. The coach blunderbuss never had in

America the extensive use on vehicles that it had in Great Britain and France. That was because America was a land of poor roads and few stagecoach lines; and very few private coaches used for long journeys. In Great Britain, however, roads were well kept after the year 1700; and, as the years passed, theywereconstantly improved and extended. Stagecoach communication between hundreds of cities and towns was constant: private traveling coaches were fashionable and abundant; and, after 1784, when government mail carrying by coaches was established, the byways as well as the highways were rolling with wealth that needed blunderbuss guardianship from predatory highwaymen.

Much the same was true of France and of lesser portions of continental Europe. Great Britain, in particular, and Europe, in general, therefore, produced stagecoach blunderbusses in enormous numbers, and

quantities of them came to America. But in this country they were used—when used at all—principally in city homes.

Of all the coach—stagecoach and other coach—blunderbusses now in existence, both abroad and here, it is safe to say that ninety per cent were made between 1750 and 1850; and, of that number, at least three-quarters were made after the Revolutionary War. The period of manu-

> facture can be approximated closely by means of the proof marks on the barrels, the names on the locks, and the style of the furniture; for fashions changed in firearm furniture at certain periods.

The variety of the stagecoach blunderbuss that was, in its time, considered the highest grade, and that today is liked best by arms collectors was the carefully made specimen with the brass barrel, octagonal at the rear and ringed and belled at the front, equipped with a spring bayonet on the top of the bar-rel. This sort was carried, not only by government mail coaches, but also by the coaches of persons of wealth or title.

The elliptical shape of the muzzle of some stagecoach and other blunderbusses was formed for the purpose of causing the charge to proceed in the form of an ellipse, with the long axis horizontal, so as to avoid wastage into sky and ground, and to afford the utmost percentage of de-

structiveness. The theory seems sound but practice disproved it: a blunderbuss gave a blundering buss, whatever the shape of its mouth.

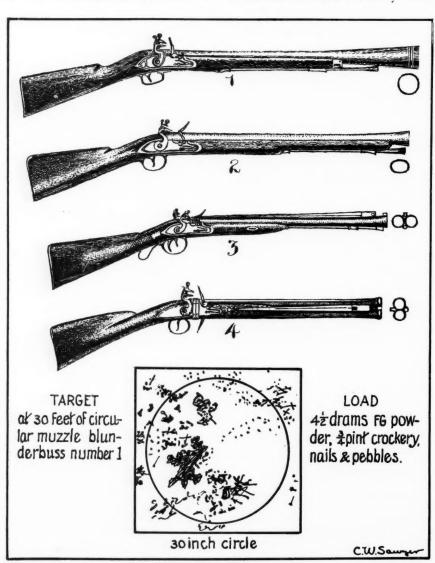


Fig. C — Home-Defense Blunderbusses

therefore, is alternately on the right and on the left. Period, about 1775.

7.—Home-Defense Blunderbusses
1.—Belgian. Length 3 feet 4 inches; 24½ inch iron barrel. Muzzle caliber 2¼ inches. Weight 8 pounds 14 ounces. Marked with the Liege proof master's stamp of the period, 1780-1790.
2.—English. Length 38½ inches; 22½ inch brass barrel with elliptical muzzle calibering 1¼ by 2¼ inches. Weight 8¾ pounds. Marked, Bailey, Newark, 1760.
3.—English. Double barrel. Length 34 inches with bayonet folded. Iron barrels and furniture, the former of plain twist, the latter engraved. Sixteen gauge, with muzzle caliber of ¾ inch. Weight 8 pounds. Marked Egg, old London proof stamps, and on the silver name plate an heraldic device, the initiale \$\frac{3P}{2}\$ and date \$\frac{178}{2}\$.

initials JP, and date, 1781. initials JP, and date, 1708.

4.—German. Double barrel over-and-under. Length 33½ inches, with bayonet folded. Barrels of iron, octagonal, of different gauges, and with bayonet on one side and ramrod on the other. Muzzle calibers 156 and 34 inches. One lock for both barrels. They turn on a pivot and are held and released by a catch operated by the forward and rearward movement of the trigger guard. The bayonet,

# Plumbeotype

By RUEL PARDEE TOLMAN

OR a number of years the Division of Graphic Arts of the United States National Museum has had on exhibition among the lithographs a print marked Plumbeoryped, as probably printed from grained lead, on account of the Latin meaning of the first syllable of the word. This print, as will be seen in the illustration, (Fig. 2) resembles a crayon lithograph. It is a portrait of the British minister to the United States, Sir R. Pakenham, and dates from about 1845.

As to the process, I long believed it improbable that the print was from grained lead, largely on account of the softness of that metal. Then it occurred to me that the term might be a trade name used by John Plumbe, the photographer, who operated in both New York and Philadelphia. In answer to a note regarding this theory, William J. Campbell of Philadelphia sent me photostats of two prints in his collection of Newsam lithographs. The portraits are identical, but the wording of their titles gives the first indication, and a very strong one, that

plumbeotype was not a new graphic arts process. The wording on one is (Fig. I),

Revd Ino Breckenridge D. D.

U.S. Ecclesiastical Portrait Gallery: Published by Thos S. Wagner Phila.

Painted by J. Sartain

Drawn by A. Newsam

Printed by P. S. Duval

The wording on the other is

Revd Ino Breckenridge D. D.

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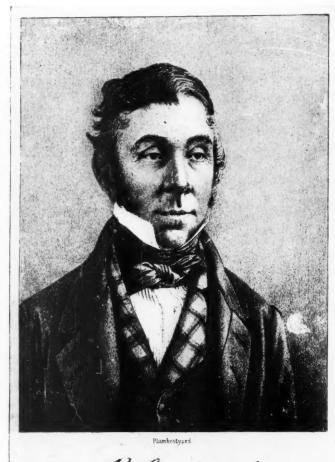
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Fig. 1 — LITHOGRAPH AND PLUMBEOTYPE

Except for differences in the inscriptions, these two portraits are evidently identical lithographs printed from the same stone. The fanciful term Plumbeotype apparently means nothing, unless, perhaps, it implies that Plumbe had devised some means of facilitating the accurate transfer of photographic likenesses to the surface of the lithographic stone.



SIN Blakewhan

British Minister to the U. States.

Fig. 2 — PLUMBEOTYPED

In spite of the high sounding entitlement, this appears to be nothing more nor less than an unusually careful and accurate piece of lithographic portraiture.

Here, in short, we have a known crayon lithograph by Newsam, which was made from the miniature by J. Sartain, used as a "Specimen of the New Art of Plumbeotyping or transferring Daguerreotypes to paper." Clearly enough there is nothing new in the plumbeotype except the name, and, perhaps, the application.

Some months after our first correspondence, Mr. Campbell discovered another print, which carried the story to a more definite conclusion. The wording on this print (Fig. 3), which is, apparently, a lithograph in line, is

REV. DR. DEWEY

PLUMBEOTYPED AND PHOTOGRAPHED BY

PLUMBE-PLUMBEOTYPE NATIONAL GALLERY

Entered according to Act of Congress, in the year 1846, by PLUMBE, in the clerk's office of the District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

The inference, therefore, is that some of the clients of Plumbe wished more than one copy of their likeness, and that their desire was met by this enterprising photographer by means of having drawings made on stone from his daguerreotypes and printed by lithography. In this way as many prints as were desired could be obtained. Of course, while these portraits did not resemble a daguerreotype in appearance, they did increase the number of likenesses, and that was their object. By coining the term "Plumbeotype," á la "Daguerreotype," Plumbe created an advertising feature as well as something of a mystery to hide the process of the so-called "New Art of transferring daguerreotypes to paper."

Plumbeotype prints are not numerous, or usually of high artistic merit. On some the face is hand colored. All of these prints that I have seen date in the neighborhood of 1845 and 1846, when Plumbe was at the height of his business career.

A few years later his name disappears from the directories.

That which was a mystery, now that it has been cleared up, seems of little importance; but for some who own "Plumbeotypes" and have wondered, these notes will serve to lift the veil.



Fig. 3 — Plumbe the Plumbeotyper.

The inscription of this portrait reveals the source of entitlement Plumbeotype. Whatever the hand that traced the lines of Plumbe's transfer on the stone, it was considerably less skillful than the one which immortalized the countenances of the Reverend Jno Breckenridge and Sir R. Pakenham.

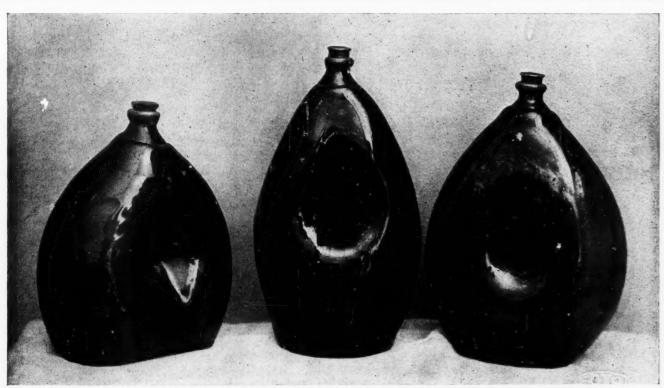


Fig. 1 — Three Tyrolean Pinch Flasks (probably eighteenth century)
Interesting examples of an extremely simple form of glass blowing. The molten glass is merely blown like a pendant bubble, pinched to give it a finger hold, flattened on the bottom for stability and subsequently supplied with a rudimentary neck. This requires much less skill than the old English method of making long necked wine bottles by blowing the glass "in the form of a large bladder," and swinging the tube with glass appended to it so that the bottle neck was stretched by the action. These Tyrol bottles have not progressed beyond the bladder stage. The color of all three pieces is dark green. The specimen at the right shows an iridescent quality which is evidence of "sickness." (See article on Sick Glass in Antiques for July, 1923.) Height of tallest not far from 12 inches.

# Tyrolean Schnappsflaschen

By Susanna Shanklin Browne

LD glass had long been our especial hobby; and during a six-months' pilgrimage through Italy this past year, amidst all the unique allurements and beguilements which fill the Italian scene, we were never so hurried but that the word antichita upon a sign board had power to bring us to a pause and to awaken that expectant thrill, that eternally-springing hope of a possible "find," which constitutes so large a part of the collector's happiness. But our scrutiny of many crowded shop windows, and sometimes (in bolder moments) of the still more crowded and less illuminated depths behind them seldom yielded the quarry which we sought. Naturally enough, most of the old glass which we saw in Italy was of Venetian origin—the handiwork of those Murano craftsmen who have never been equalled for the delicacy of their technique and the intricacy and variety of their design.

Yet, as occasionally happened, even when prices were not hopelessly beyond the possibilities of our purse, these old Venetian pieces failed to arouse our deeper raptorial instincts. We could appreciate their fascination of form and color and workmanship; we could even imagine ourselves, in other and more opulent circumstances, becoming deeply enamoured of their aristocratic beauty. But it happened that our taste had been formed and fed upon the cruder, less sophisticated, more utilitarian

product of the early American craftsmen; it was the quaint and homely, rather than the exquisite, which we particularly sought in glass.

Then, toward the end of summer, a happy chance took us to Meran, and we came into our own. Meran, it should be said, is a pleasant valley town of Tyrol—or, since the Versailles peacemakers have decreed that this romantic region is no longer Austrian but Italian, and the new Italian over-lords have decreed that the designation Tyrol shall no longer be used, let us call it, as a compromise, ex-Tyrol.

Soon after our arrival, a fellow-guest in our hotel came home one day bearing an object that we loved at first sight—a curious old bottle, or flask, of such a blue as one seldom sees save in an Italian sky or in the waters of the Mediterranean on a brilliantly sunny day. The base was round, or nearly so; the sides arose in a slight bulge, then tapered off gracefully to a thin neck. Spiral waves ran upward through the glass to within an inch or so of the top, which bore a pewter crown. But the oddest and most interesting feature of the piece consisted in two large conical indentations on opposite sides of the flask where the bulge was most pronounced, making altogether a figure rather like a bottomless hour-glass lying horizontally through the centre of the flask. For a time these

indentations puzzled us; then we realized that their purpose was undoubtedly to provide a finger-hold for greater ease and security in handling the flask.

We were, as I have said, enamoured of the specimen at a glance, and immediately set forth in search of its fellows through the highways and byways of Meran. The shops of that town yielded us some twenty or thirty specimens—no two of them alike, but all of the same general type. Then we began to extend our search to neighboring towns, chiefly Bozen and Brixen.

After our initial forays, the dealers would assure us, in solemn German, that the existing supply had been quite exhausted; and certainly it was never plentiful. But, with such sure victims at their mercy, they could generally manage, for a time, to bring forth new specimens upon our subsequent visits to their shops. Then, even the spur of swiftly rising prices in our commodity proved ineffectual. At the end of three months we felt fairly confident that we had really cornered the market. Some two hundred pieces made up the total of our booty. The chase had been interesting, exciting, and not ruinously expensive; the result, we were proud enough to think, was a collection which it would be difficult, if not impossible, to duplicate in the future.

These Tyrolean schnappsflaschen, as they are always called in this region, differ, for the most part, from any other kind of bottle or flask which we have seen elsewhere. The oldest and choicest specimens in our collection—perhaps fifty in number—are similar in general type to the example described above. That is to say, they are round, or nearly round, at the base, and bulge slightly near

the middle. They are pewter-topped—usually with a screw cap, but sometimes fitted for an ordinary cork—and most, though not all, have the interesting "finger-holes" on two sides. These latter are sometimes large and deep, with a thin open space running entirely through the flask. Sometimes they are mere shallow indentations; and, oddly enough, they are often found in the smallest flasks.

The largest flask in our collection is about twelve inches high, the smallest about five inches. The colors are limited to white, aquamarine, blue, and green; but, within these limits, there is a wide range of tints or tones, some of them as lovely in quality as in old stained glass. The flask surfaces are sometimes plain, but very often corrugated—either spirally or vertically. One of our oldest and finest specimens is ruggedly gnarled or knobbed over the entire surface. All the flasks of this type have been blown, not pressed\*; and the familiar "pontil mark" is almost invariably to be found on the slightly concave base.

A later and somewhat commoner type is the "flat" Tyrolean flask. The bodies of this type are sometimes round, but more generally oval in outline, the sides bulge slightly as a rule, and necks are short, with a rather wide flat lip around the mouth. White and blue are the only colors in which we have found this type, and the blue is almost invariably of the same tone—a very deep cerulean. By some curious and delicate process, many of these flat flasks have been impressed with designs (flowers, vines, conventionalized forms, etc.) which though scarcely

<sup>\*</sup>All of the examples illustrated are apparently of a period antecedent to that of mechanically pressed glass. Some of the items illustrated in Figure 2 and all in Figure 3, however, were blown into molds.—Ed.

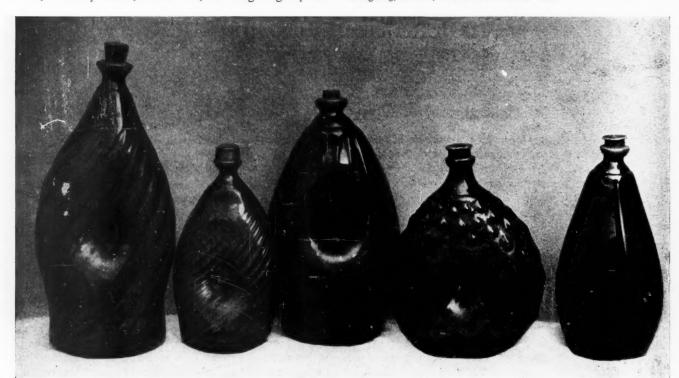


Fig. 2 — Varying Specimens of Tyrol Types (probably eighteenth century)

Three and perhaps four of these flasks show evidence of having been shaped first by blowing into a so-called pattern mold and subsequently expanded by further blowing in the open. The second and fourth examples are suggestive of forms and patterns used by Stiegel. These two specimens are both blue. The others are green of varying tones.

Heights range from seven to eleven inches.

perceptible to the touch, are surprisingly clear to the eye. Like their older fellows, the specimens in this general class have been blown rather than pressed; though shapes and patterns bear witness to the use of contact molds. Of the half-dozen kinds of this general type in our collection, one bears a design of religious and another of historic significance.

Although they have long been common throughout the Tyrol, these schnappsflaschen seem to be shrouded in a good deal of mystery in so far as concerns their origin, makers, and the like. Neither in the municipal museum of Meran or in that of Bozen, both of which, by the way, contain excellent collections of such flasks, nor from our more casual inquiries of dealers and natives, could we elicit any very definite information. From the little that we succeeded in gathering, we should judge that these flasks were made, for the most part, in a glassworks at Kramsach near Brixen; and that the earliest of them date from perhaps three centuries ago\*, the latest from about the middle of the last century. Like our own cruder and less interesting early American flasks, they were, no doubt, the original containers for a certain kind, or certain kinds, of vital liquor.

With their gradual disappearance from common use, and their developing interest to collectors, these early flasks have, during recent years, been imitated by certain Austrian glass-makers. But no modern maker, however skilful in other respects, can successfully imitate the peculiar molasses-like quality of surface found in the old flasks; hence any collector of ordinary discernment can readily tell the genuine article from the modern imitation.

For us there is a fascination and an interest in these Tyrolean schnappsflaschen which we find in no other of our antique possessions. A peculiar romantic charm inheres in all old glass; it arouses a sense of wonder that such fragile things could survive the centuries that consume so many other far more substantial articles of daily use-survive the infinite chances of human mishandling and come into our hands today as fresh and perfect as into the first hands that held them. But that is an attraction which is quite distinct from the charm of form and color which one finds in these Tyrolean flasks. With these, further, is cheerfully associated the idea of human conviviality and jovial social intercourse. One likes to think of them as they once reposed, the treasured containers of heart-warming schnapps, in the carved cupboards of Tyrolean cottages, to be brought out for celebration purposes and passed from hand to hand. Brave old Andreas Hofer, himself, may have poured out his schnapps from one of these jolly full-bodied flasks in our collection -at any rate, we are free to think so, knowing, as we do, that no one can successfully gainsay the thought.

<sup>\*</sup>The eighteenth century would seem as early a period as any of the pictured examples might claim.—Ed.



Fig. 3 — LATER TYROL FLASKS

The second example seems clearly to have been blown in a contact mold of the size of the finished piece. The others are more difficult to classify. The careful finish of the lip in each example indicates a slightly later date than that attributed to the other flasks shown. The end specimens are blue; the middle ones white.

Heights vary from six to approximately ten inches.

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# The Highest Priced American Book

By GEORGE H. SARGENT

AFTER having been sought for more than two hundred and fifty years by librarians, students of American history, dealers, collectors and bibliophiles everywhere, the only known copy of one of the earliest works of the Massachusetts press was sold in a London auction room in May for £6,800 (approximately \$32,980.00) and is now in this country. The price paid is

the highest ever bid in auction for an American

book. The precious volume is a translation into the Massachusetts Indian language, by John Eliot, "the apostle to the Indians" of Richard Baxter's Call to the Unconverted. It came up at Sotheby's famous auction rooms, whither it had been consigned by The Royal Society, with other volumes, to raise funds for the purchase of scientific works. Keen competition resulted, but the prize was borne off by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach, of New York and Philadelphia, who has brought home the volume for an American library. Not since the finding of the "lost" Book of the General Laws and Liberties of Massachusetts, now in the library of Henry E. Huntington, has there been a "find" like this to interest American collectors and librarians. Out of a thousand copies printed by Samuel Green and Marmaduke Johnson in 1664, this is the only one known to have survived. Strangely enough, it has been hidden for a quarter-millenium in an English library.

It was known, however, that Baxter's Call to the Unconverted had been printed, and it had been sought untiringly by the great libraries like those of Harvard, Yale, the Massachusetts Historical Society, the American Antiquarian Society, the New York and Boston Public Libraries and the Library of Congress. And all the time it was reposing, forgotten and unobserved, on the shelves of the Royal Society Library. Its recent discovery is due to the desire of the Society to increase its funds for the

purchase of books for its scientific library by disposing of works outside of its special line of collecting. The library of the Royal Society housed a large collection presented to it in 1667 by Henry Howard, (afterward sixth Duke of Norfolk) whose grandfather, the Earl of Arundel, had purchased the majority of its items during his embassy to Venice in 1636. Some of the volumes so purchased are

said to have come from the collection formed at Buda by Matthias Corvinus, King of Hungary, after whose death they passed, in the last years of the fifteenth or early in the sixteenth century, to Bilbaldus Pirckheimer of Nuremberg, whose bookplate, engraved by Albrecht Dürer and famous as the first known bookplate, appeared in several of the examples.

John Evelyn, in his Diary, states that it was at his instigation that Henry Howard presented his collection to the Royal Society. Evelyn says:

This gentleman had so little inclination to books, that it was the preservation of them from embezzlement.

Another entry in his Diary, for August 29, 1678, gives an account of the reception of the books by the Royal Society. He writes:

I procured for the Society, besides printed books, near one hundred manuscripts, some in Greek of great concernment. The printed books being of the oldest impressions, are not the less valuable; I esteem them also equal to manuscripts... Many of these books had been presented by Popes, Cardinals and great persons to the Earls of Arundel and the Dukes of Nor-

folk; and the late magnificent Earl of Arundel bought a noble library in Germany, which is in this collection. I should not, for the honor I bear the family, have persuaded the Duke to part with these, had I not seen how negligent he was of them, suffering the priests and everybody to carry away and dispose of what they pleased; so that abundance of rare things are irrevocably gone.

That the Royal Society appreciated the gift is apparent from its records. In 1681, when Sir Christopher Wren was president, a checklist was prepared, under the title of *Bibliotheca Norfolciana*, which enumerated something

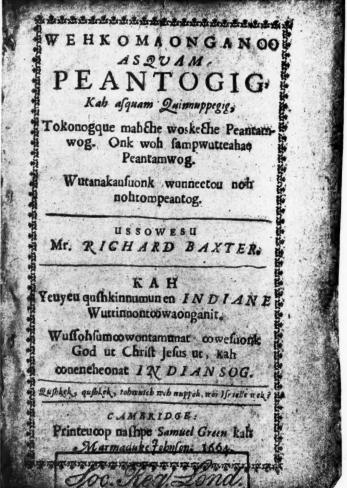


Fig. 1 — The Highest Priced American Book
The only known copy of Baxter's Call to the Unconverted, translated into the Massachusetts Indian language by John Eliot. Missing for 250 years, a copy turned up at a London auction.

like 6,000 volumes, including other gifts like that of Henry Howard. In 1910 Mr. R. Farquharson Sharpe, of the British Museum, compiled a list of the early printed books owned by the Royal Society, in which the number had dwindled to about 1,000, indicating that Evelyn was not entirely successful in "the preserving them from embezzlement." At the time of the original donation, the Society's "orders" provided that "an Inscription in letters of gold be set up in some convenient place in honor of the benefactor." The "Inscription in letters of gold" has disappeared along with some 5 000 volumes.

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In 1830, the Trustees of the Royal Society offered the Arundel Manuscripts, then in its possession, to the British Museum; which purchased them, the Society using the funds for the purchase of scientific books. It is said that before the recent sale, the British Museum authorities were approached again, and purchased certain books "at their own valuation." The Trustees of the British Museum, however, could hardly—in fairness to the Society—offer a nominal price—say £10—for such a rarity as Baxter's Call, or for a unique copy of the trial issue of the Second Folio of Shakespeare.

The Royal Society now profits to a large degree by its action, but it can never retrieve the losses due to past neglect. In 1872 the elder Quaritch bought from it a cellarful of old books and pamphlets, many of which were beyond restoration, being water-soaked, torn and mildewed. Skillful restoration, however, gave him a good bargain, as among the specimens saved were some block books and incunabula, which have long ago passed into great public and private libraries. The portion offered in the recent sale consisted of a remainder of the Society's rare books.

The unique copy of Baxter's Call was not a portion of the Arundel library, but was given to the Royal Society by Governor Winthrop. About the same time was presented to the Society a copy of the Eliot Indian Bible which was also in the sale, the which was not listed in Pilling's Bibliography of the Algonquian Languages.

Richard Baxter's Call to the Unconverted was first published in London in 1657. John Eliot, the Apostle to the Indians, who had been working on the translation of the New Testament and the Bible wrote from Roxbury to Mr. Baxter, on July 6, 1663, that:

My work about the *Indian Bible* being (by the good hand of the Lord although not without difficulties) finished, I am meditating what to do next for these Sons of this our Morning; they having no books for their private use, of ministerial composing . . . I have therefore purposed in my heart (seeing the Lord is yet pleased to prolong my life) to translate for them a little Book of yours, intituled (A Call to the Unconverted) . . . But seeing you are yet in the Land of the Living (and the good

Lord prolong your days) I would not presume to do such a thing, without making mention thereof unto your self, that so I might have the help and blessing of your Counsel and Prayers . . . I have begun the Work already and find a great difference in the Work from my former Translation; I am forced sometimes to alter the Phrase for the facilitating and fitting it to our Language, in which I am not so strict as I was in the Scriptures.

Mr. Baxter wrote in answer that he was flattered by the "Apostle's" attention, but thought the "Assemblies Catechism should be next the Holy Scriptures, most worthy of your Labors." Mr. Boyle, of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, thought "it would be taken better here" if Bayle's Practice of Piety were printed before the Call; but the Call had been finished before this letter came, and the work went to press early in 1664, and was published before August 25 of that year, in an edition of 1,000 copies, by Samuel Green and Marmaduke Johnson, the latter leaving the Corporation's employment soon after. The work went into a second edition in 1688, printed by Samuel Green, five copies of which were known to Dr. Eames, and which was identical, except for the imprint, with the then unknown first edition.

To those who are not book collectors, the price paid for this unique copy may come as a surprise; for, with the exception of Dr. Wilberforce Eames of the New York Public Library, there is probably not a single person living who is able to read the work in the original. The entitlement of the book reads:

"WEHKOMAONGANOO ASQUAM PEANTOGIG, KAH ASQUAM QUINNUPPEGIG, TOKONOGQUE MAHCHE WOSKECHE PEANTAMWOG. Onk woh sampwutteahae Peantamwog. Wutanakaufuonk wunneetou noh nohtompeantog. Ussowesu Mr. Richard Baxter. Kah Yeuyeu qushkinnumun en Indiane Wuttinnontoowaonganit. Wussohsumoowontamunat oowesuonk God ut Christ Jesus ut, kah ooneneheonat Indiansog. Qushkek, qushkek, tohwutch weh nuppok wor Israelle wek? Cambridge, Printeuoop nashpe Samuel Green kah Marmaduke Johnson, 1664."

The book is five and seven-sixteenths by three and seven-eighths inches in size, bound in old gray blue boards with a parchment back. It is in excellent condition, except that a few leaves are faintly water stained. As the purchaser probably did not buy the book for reading purposes, this fact evidently did not greatly influence the price.

Of the second edition of the Call, that of 1688, the only copies known to Dr. Eames were those in the American Antiquarian Society, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston Public (Prince), Yale and Harvard libraries. The last copy sold was the bound Brinley copy, which appeared at auction in New York, in 1879, and was purchased for Yale College for \$135.



This is an Exact Reproduction of an Early American wall paper found a number of years ago, in an old loft of a country store in Brattleboro, Vermont. We know the original paper to be hundred and twenty-five years old. It is a scene of the landing of troops and refers to the incidents about the time of the Revolu-



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The Bookplate Annual for 1925. Edited and published by Alfred Fowler, Kansas City. Edition limited to 500 copies. Royal quarto; 53 pages, numerous illustrations. Price \$5.00.

A BOOKPLATE is the label which the owner of a book pastes within the front cover as an indication of his ownership. It may consist of nothing more than a name set in type and printed on a slip of paper. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries it usually consisted of an engraved coat of arms and a name. The nineteenth century, with its avalanches of books and its legions of owners—most of them non-armigerous—witnessed the wide acceptation of the pictorial bookplate, which substituted personal symbolism—often of a most obvious kind—for the earlier heraldic devices. Thus did the spread of democracy add variety to bookplates and stimulate the ardors of bookplate collecting.

Incidentally, on many occasions, the best of artists have turned their skill to the designing of bookplates. And such plates, because their quality and style are of the artist, and their special symbols presumably of the owner, are doubly significant and more than doubly desirable.

Bookplate designs may be engraved on metal, cut in wood, lithographed, photo-engraved, or etched. They offer a limitless field for artistic ingenuity and an equally limitless field for selection and classification. Hence collectors of bookplates, and societies of collectors, and, withal, Alfred Fowler's handsome Bookplate Annual, which has been issued each year since 1921 as a periodical summary of the year's achievement in bookplate art and criticism.

The Annual for 1925 is a well designed and well printed royal quarto volume which contains illustrated appreciations of the work of Dugald Stewart Walker, D. Y. Cameron, and Robert Anning Bell. Charles O. Cornelius contributes a note by way of demolishing the legend of the destruction of the copper engraving for George Washington's bookplate by an enterprising dealer who had made many restrikes from it. The restrikes were made, without doubt, but Mr. Cornelius points out that the engraved plate is now owned by the Metropolitan Museum. A chapter entitled A Portfolio of Contemporary Bookplates shows a number of recent designs, among which two wood blocks by J. J. Lankes are particularly noteworthy. Lankes has progressed fast and far since his first attempts with wood engraving.

A list of bookplate collectors who wish to exchange items is likewise included in the *Annual*, and should prove a boon to those who enjoy the contacts which a known community of interests affords. The volume concludes with a report of the tenth annual exhibition of contemporary bookplates, together with a list of the exhibitors on that occasion and their works. Among these latter it is interesting to note several entries by that versatile writer and collector, Gardner Teall, who, by the way, contributes one brief critique to the *Annual*, as well as two bookplates in black and tint, by his own hand.

#### Answers

Readers of this column may often know some facts about the questions asked which are unavailable to the Editor. In such cases it is hoped that they will share their information with those less fortunate by writing full particulars to the Queries Editor.

218. H. G. R., New Hampshire (Antiques for May, 1925, Vol. VII, p.

Harry A. Wright, of Springfield, Massachusetts, writes that B. K. Bliss did not make glass in that city, but that about fifty years ago, Benjamin K. Bliss was a seedsman and florist in the Pynchon Bank Building, Main Street, Springfield. For sale in conjunction with his other wares, he had made various glass articles bearing his name. Among these was a purple hyacinth or

bulb glass about six inches high, four inches in diameter at the bottom, and one and a half inches at the top.

The difficulty of distinguishing the makers of mustard jars, jelly glasses, mineral water bottles, or similar containers, from the distributors whose names the pieces bear, is one of frequent occurrence where late nineteenth century items are concerned, and the case of B. K. Bliss seems to be an excellent case in point.

222. A. A. W., Virginia (Antiques for May, 1925, Vol. VII. p. 269).

An account of the activities of George Stinson of Portland, Maine, comes from D. Cromett Clark, Stinson was, it appears, a book and job printer whose activities centred on the year 1880. He published a few books, also a monthly story magazine which sold for \$1 a year, with six to a dozen chromo-lithographs thrown in. It is not unlikely that he bought his lithographs, as did many other publishers of similar magazines, but with the lithographer's imprint omitted. The lithographs were of the brilliantly colored kind, which had so much vogue at the time, and the titles included The Rock of Ages, From Shore to Shore, The Queen of Sheba, Niagara Falls, The Barefoot Maiden, The Lovers' Parting, together with many others, sentimental and scenic. Many of them had verses of "poetry" at the bottom. Stinson's lithographs represent a type of which thousands and thousands were framed and hung in American homes during the 1880's and 1890's.

223. M. N., Virginia (Antiques for May, 1925, Vol. VII, p. 269).

Information concerning the lithographer Baillie comes from Mrs. E. J. Knittle of Ashland, Ohio. Baillie was a New Yorker, whose plant and shop were on 88th Street, just off Third Avenue. He had agents in other parts of the country, as follows: in Philadelphia, J. Bardsley, Corner of Arch and Second Streets; in Boston, Joseph Ward, 53 Cornhill; in Albany, G. J. J. Lomis, 9 Washington Street.

Baillie made colored lithographs contemporary with the Kelloggs and Currier & Ives, but of a somewhat inferior order. Religious and political subjects, a few war scenes and patriotic topics, some rural scenes and views of cities and towns, together with the inevitable delineations of youth and beauty, all appear with his imprint. As Mrs. Knittle remarks, his output belongs strictly in the "cottage ornament" class.

Another address for Baillie, very possibly earlier than that quoted, is supplied by Aaron Davis of Boston, who states that the firm was established at 218 Nassau Street, and that most of his work was done in the forties, though little of it is dated. Mr. Davis also supplies the name of another of Baillie's agents, to wit, J. Soule, of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

226. J. P., Massachusetts (Antiques for May, 1925, Vol. VII, p. 270). Charles F. Heartman of Metuchen, New Jersey, writes that H. Lewis and G. B. Douglas published in 1850, through the lithographers Arnz and Company in Dusseldorf, a book entitled Das Illustrierte Mississippi Thal. The prints concerning which query was made are apparently plates from that book, which contains, in all, seventy-eight lithographs. According to Mr. Heartman, the book is worth about \$150, but single plates are of little value.

229. L. A. E., Ohio (Antiques for May, 1925, Vol. VII, p. 270). James W. Tufts manufactured, in the 1880's, soda water apparatus, and likewise silver and silver plate. Hugh G. Nicholson, of Charleston, West Virginia, from whom this information comes, believes that later Tufts' business was merged with that of the American Carbonating Company.

#### Questions and Answers

Questions for answer in this column should be written clearly on one side of the

paper only, and should be addressed to the Queries Editor.

All descriptions of objects needing classification or attribution should include exact details of size, color, material, and derivation, and should, if possible, be accompanied by photographs. All proper names quoted should be printed in capital letters to facilitate identification.

Answers by mail cannot be undertaken, but photographs and other illustrated material needed for identification will be returned when stamps are supplied. Attempts at valuation ANTIQUES considers outside its province.

243. A. N. T., Massachusetts, wishes to know whether any readers of ANTIQUES know of any houses on which floors decorated with painted or stenciled designs still exist. Information may be addressed to ANTIQUES and will be kept confidential.



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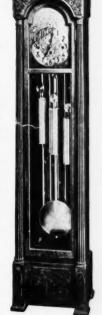
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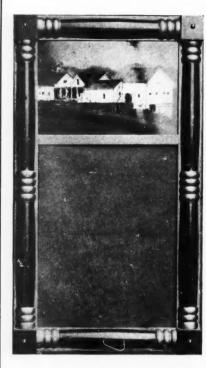


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244. E. C. M., New York, sends a photograph, reproduced herewith, of a mantel ornament, with a query as to the country of origin of the piece, its possible date of manufacture, and the purpose for which it was intended. The piece, one of a pair, belonged originally to the great-grandmother of the present owner. It is 8 inches long and 6 inches high, exclusive of the removable top and holders. Of a white glazed ware, the decorations are in yellows and greens. No identifying marks appear on it.



Undoubtedly of English origin, the piece may be characterized as a crocus or tulip holder, devised to hold bulbs, much after the manner of the more familiar hyacinth glasses. Without actual examination it is impossible to determine the date or precise locality of origin of the piece, but conjecture would indicate a date not later than 1815.

245. W. J. S., Pennsylvania, enquires concerning a set of handleless cups and saucers in black transfer ware. The decoration shows a man and woman, each having a hand on a shield. The inscription on the shield is Industry, Freedom, Plenty, Health, Wealth, Wisdom. Above the shield appears the legend Firm as Oak; beneath it, Be Thou Faithful Unto Death. Both figures bear banners, that over the man being inscribed Sobriety, and that over the woman, Domestic Comforts.

Beyond the fact that both in method of decoration and in the high moral tone of the design, the nineteenth century origin of these pieces is evident, no information is available about them. Can any reader identify them exactly?

246. A. B. S., *Pennsylvania*, seeks enlightenment concerning *Hannibal Crossing the Alps*. His elephants, surrounded by a floral border, decorate a set of blue china.

Were a photograph of the border at hand, identification of the maker of this ware might be possible. Without a picture, however, it is only possible to assign the set to one of the Staffordshire potteries of prolific mid-nineteenth century production.

247. M. W. S. owns a copper mug with the impressed mark of an eagle, and N. Y. on the bottom. On the side appear the initials W. P. D. C., N. Y.

Who can suggest when and by whom this piece was made?

The same correspondent also sends word of a pair of silvered glass tie-backs, with the mark N. E. Patented January, 1855, impressed in the pewter neck.

These pieces were probably made by the New England Glass Company, which was in operation in Cambridge, Massachusetts, from 1818 to 1887.

248. A. A. B., *Pennsylvania*, sends two queries concerning grandfather clocks. On one clock in his possession appears the name *Nowlens Mfg. Boston*. Who can identify this concern, which is not listed in the usual books of reference?

Upon the dial of another clock, with mahogany inlaid case, appear the words *Latham* and *Marple*. According to Britten's *Old Clocks and Watches and their makers*, the name Latham is of fairly frequent occurrence in English clock history, for he lists three clock makers of this entitlement between 1775 and 1814. No significance, however, has been discoverable for the word *Marple*, either as the name of a person or a place. Who can help here?

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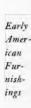
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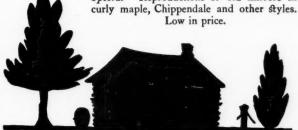
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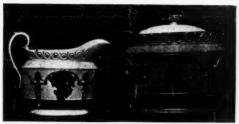
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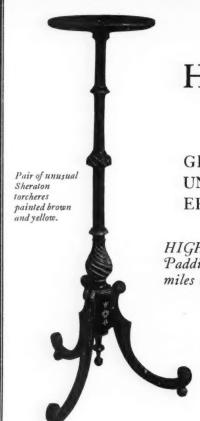
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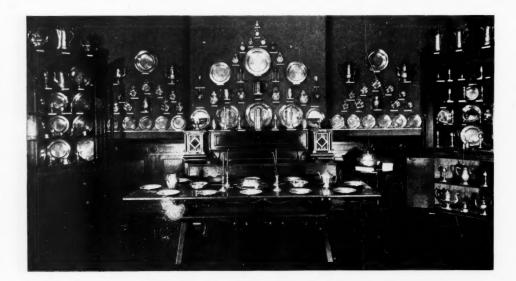
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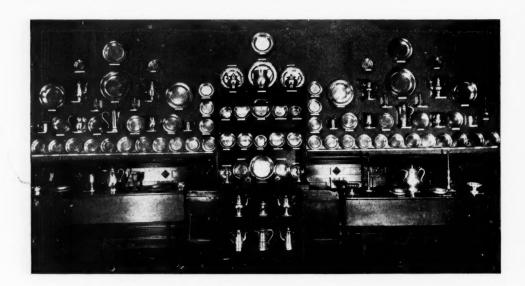
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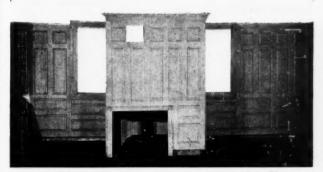
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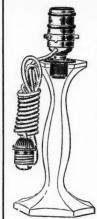


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